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As of January 1947, the following Soviet personnel changes had been made in Erfurt (J36):

Col Volkov: Named Kreis Komendatura Chief.

City Commander, replacing Lt Col Yarikov.

Lt Col Shukhantsev: Economic Officer of the City Komendatura, replacing Major Kravenzov,

- The present director general of the Soviet AG, Elektrotechnische Werke Erfurt, (formerly Telefunken Gesellschaft) is former Engineer 2. Major Kandaurov, who arrived in Erfurt from Moscow as a civilian in December 1946. The technical director of the same enterprise is another demobilized officer (1st Lt) named Guskov.
- Comment: This para. and paras. 3 and 4 below are of interest for their bearing on the allocation of demobilized Soviet military personnel to German industry. A recent report stated that such men 25X1A are not classified as civilians, despite formal demobilization and their wearing of civilian clothing, but are regarded as members of a "reserve corps". No detailed information on this subject has been received to date.
 - The Elektrotechnische Werke Erfurt, source claims, was turned back to the Land Thuringia at the beginning of February 1947. The positions of Kandaurov and Guskov, however, were not affected by this change.
 - Ex-captain Teper, former liaison officer between local industries and the Erfurt komendatura, was demobilized in December 1946 and appointed Director General of the Feinmechanische Werke, Abteilung Büromaschinen, Erfurt, a Soviet enterprise formerly known as the Olympia Büromaschinen AG. Teper's salary is reported to be 6,000 marks per month.

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